

The Body and the Blood (Jn 6:53-63)

We have once again come to the table of the Lord's supper. The main focus of the Lord's supper is the two elements - and what they represent to the one who has placed their faith and trust in the Lord Jesus. I recently read this poem: Bread of the world, in mercy broken. Wine of the soul, in mercy shed. By whom the words of life are spoken, and in whose death our sins are dead. Look on the hearts by sorrow broken, Look on the tears by sinners shed, And by Thy feast to us the token that by Thy grace our souls are fed. Note first...

I - The Body of Our Lord Jesus Christ - V558

The Lord Jesus is that perfect man, sent from heaven that all men may be partakers of. Perfect flesh to become a perfect sacrifice for our sins. Heb 10:5 Wherefore when he cometh into the world He saith "Sacrifice and offering thou wouldst not, but a body hast thou prepared me." That body was scourged and beaten for my sake Is 53:5 he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities, the chastisement of our peace was upon him, and with his stripes we are healed." Just as God opened the flesh of Adam to create Eve, so God opened his Son to birth the church. The church are those that are

partaken of that flesh. In **3rd** Jesus is explaining when we eat something it becomes part of us. The same is true of the Lord Jesus when we humble ourselves to take **Vs 56** as result. We don't eat literally flesh. **Vs 63**. We do this in symbol, ^{to signify} actual.

II The Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ
The blood has always held the highest of prominence when it comes to the worship of Jehovah. Lev 17:11 The Life is in the blood. The payment of sin is death the taking of life. Heb 9:22 w/o shedding of blood is no remission (of sin). God allowed for animal substitution in the tabernacle & temple economy, in promise of one to come whose blood would be a sufficient ^{kind for kind} atonement for all the wicked sins of men. 1 Peter 1:18-19 For as much as ye knew that ye are not redeemed with corruptible ... from your vain conversation received by tradition ... But with the precious blood of Christ. Eph 1:7 In whom we have redemption thru his blood... Heb 9:12 Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place having obtained eternal redemption for us! When we take of this cup we show forth & symbolize what has already taken place, our partaking of the precious blood of Jesus Christ thru repentance & Faith. Vs 56.